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Residential Design Criteria

The following establishes the basic climatic and geographic design criteria to assist in designing buildings and structures using the 2015 International Residential Code (IRC).

Table R301.2(1) CLIMATIC AND GEOGRAPHIC DESIGN CRITERIA

	WIND DESIGN					Subject to Damage From								
Ground Snow Load	Wind Speed (mph)	Topographic effects	Special Wind region	Wind- borne debris zone	Seismic Design Category	Weathering	Frost Line Depth	Termite	Decay	Winter Design Temp (°F)	Ice Shield Underlayment Required	Flood Hazards	Air Freezing Index	Mean Annual Temp (°F)
20	110 (mostly Exp. B)	NO	NO	NO	D ₂	Moderate	6"	Slight- Mod	Slight- Mod	26	No	1983FIRM (constr. N/A in 100yr. flood zone)	117	51.2

For SI: 1 pound per square foot = 0.0479 kPa, 1 mile per hour = 0.447 m/s.

Additional design information for using the 2015 International Residential Code:

General Properties of Soils:

Soils Site Classification:
 Soils Bearing Capacity:
 Site Class "D" may be assumed soil properties.
 Bearing capacity of 2000 psf may be assumed.

Foundation Drainage:

- o Perimeter footing drains should be assumed as required, without soils study.
- O Slope away from foundation is required for all structures: min. 6" fall in 10'.

• Other:

 Specific setback requirements, height and bulk restrictions, and other zoning requirements will apply to each project. Contact the Planning or Building Services Divisions for more information, or access the Residential zoning code requirements, DMC 25.20 online via the City's website. (NWL Owners should also contact ROA.)